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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Administration

FROM: [redacted]

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Acting Director of Data Processing

SUBJECT: ODP Report for Week Ending 25 March 1983

1. SAFE Early Capability

A Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) DD7260T terminal was successfully logged on to the DIA VM system at the Northside Computer Center via the Gandolf Data Terminal Switch and the Arlington Hall Station COMTEN. This is the first step in providing SAFE-D access to DIA users for Early Capability.

The Office of Training and Education (OT&E) conducted the first SAFE course for the Office of Central Reference SAFE User Representatives (SURE) on 14 March.

Thirty-one current Pilot Mail Operation (PMO) users were moved to the SAFE-CIA Early Capability system and will use this system in a production mode.

2. ODP Management Conference

On 24-25 March, the D/ODP and senior ODP officers held the first of a series of management conferences [redacted] to consider ADP issues facing the Office and the Agency.

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3. Support to DDI

COMEX (Committee on Exchange). COMEX was designed to coordinate Intelligence Community interest in bilateral agreements and cooperative exchange programs between the United States and the People's Republic of China, USSR, and East European countries. A request has been received to add files and procedures to the COMEX data base to provide intelligence information to appropriate U.S. Government departments and agencies about the transfer of technology to Communist countries. The user completed testing of the procedures for updating the data base. All dictionaries and procedures were moved to production this week and the users manual was completed.

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4. Briefing for State Department

[REDACTED] (CMB/QAD/A/ODP) and Don Berg (QSI contractor) briefed representatives of the State Department on 22 March on the current and planned uses of Data Catalogue 2 (DCS). The State Department is in the process of selecting a Data Dictionary for use on their development and support systems. They were appreciative of us sharing our experiences with them.

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5. Delta Data Training Workbook Being Reviewed

A self-paced Instructional Workbook for the 7260T Delta Data. This workbook, developed by the TRW CAMS II Processing Segment (P/S) Training Staff, is being reviewed by ODP and OT&E. Although several system description documents exist for the new 7260T terminal, the CAMS II (P/S) training program needed a self-paced workbook that would provide instruction in a remote environment with examples and practical hands-on exercises. The workbook is designed to take the new user through selected keypad functions of the terminal, using exercises and providing examples of results. These practical exercises are worked at the terminal in an off-line mode so as not to interfere with other operations. Once the functions of the major keypads are mastered, the final instructional block guides the student through logon to the VM/CMS system. Indications are that the workbook will be used in a number of other OT&E training efforts such as SAFE and VM/CMS training. For CAMS II (P/S) training, this workbook will be made available to CAMS users prior to commencement of formal training so that they will begin classes familiar with the operation of the 7260T terminal.

6. Significant Events During Coming Week

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None.

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Excerpts from ODP Div/Staff Reports for Week Ending 25 March 1983Management Staff

Finance. As of 23 March, there were 55 outstanding advances with a dollar value of \$31,109. No accounts were delinquent.

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Administrative StaffArrivals and Departures:

[redacted] was reassigned from DDI to PD on 21 March. [redacted]

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Processing

On 15 March, an IBM 3088 Channel-to-Channel (CTC) device was put into production connecting VM1 and VM2. The Agency is participating in an Early Support Program (ESP) with IBM Corporation to evaluate this unit and supporting software. Within the next month the 3088 will be phased into full production in the [redacted] Computer Center connecting all our IBM mainframes with multiple CTCs.

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On 18 March, members of SPD visited IBM Research at Yorktown Heights for a quarterly review of our SSI efforts in support of SAFE. ODP was quite pleased with the VM Shared Spool (MAS) code we had received and reported our experiences and suggestions on improving it. IBM Research agreed to provide the Agency code for a LINK which is fully supported across VM processors, as opposed to the WRITE protect we now have installed. There were discussions about the two groups visiting IBM HONE, which is another IBM Research facility heavily involved in VM, to see what they are doing with a single directory across multiple VM processors.

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On 17 March, Calcomp deinstalled the last 2314 disk drives in ODP. They have been PTI'ed and are currently awaiting BSB pickup.

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Production Control Branch has accepted the new CIA Retired and Disabled System (CIARDS) monthly jobstream from SDD. The new jobstream which processed successfully for pay period four replaces the last remaining 501 simulator application.

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PMO mail users support has been switched from the [redacted] Center to the Northside Center on 19 March. [redacted] assisted OCR's Data Management Branch with the transition. Users started accessing files and receiving mail on the Safe Analyst File Environment (SAFE) system in the Northside Center on 21 March.

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Applications

One CAMS II system software update approved by the TRB involves replacing Release 2 of the VM/High Performance Option (HPD) program product with VM/HPO Release 2.5. This new software takes advantage of storage on processors with more than 16 megabytes of main storage. Performance is expected to be improved on systems supporting large numbers of interactive users. For CAMS II (P/S), the most important feature is the greater than 16 megabytes support. Without this capability, the P/S will be unable to use the upper 16 megabytes of memory on both sides of the production 3084. This new version of VM/HPO should not significantly affect the stability or performance of the CAMS II () Development System. It does not contain any new functions that will be visible to the ordinary user. It is a major change to baselined software and the Government maintained configuration document BLS3-100.

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Applications Central Library (ACL). Significant progress was made last week in the establishment of the software control procedures for the ACL. To date, 20 JCL and EXEC files have been established to assist users in accessing and maintaining source programs on Panvalet. Also, over 30 JCL and EXEC files have been established to assist in managing and controlling the Panvalet Libraries. Another 8 sets of JCL files are in development together with the Run Book and User Guide documentation.

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